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Re: Enclosed Amendment After Final Rejection Under 37 CFR §1.116
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/695,456
Docket No.: K06-163174M/TBS

Dear Examiner Lum Vannucci:

Enclosed for filing is an Amendment in response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 20, 2005, which should place the above-referenced case in condition for allowance.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,


James E. Howard

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kaname Joushita

Serial No.: 10/695,456

Group Art Unit: 3611

Filed: October 29, 2003

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-4, 6-10, 12-15, and 17-21 are all the claims presently pending in the application. Claims 1, 4, and 6 are amended to more clearly define the invention. Claims 1, 3-4, 6-8, and 10 are independent.